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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1641

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Examiner: David J. Venci

APPLICATION NO: 10/016,627

FILED: DECEMBER 10, 2001

FOR: INVERSE LABELING METHOD FOR THE RAPID IDENTIFICATION  
OF MARKER/TARGET PROTEINS**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2006 having a shortened three (3) month statutory period for response, which expired on April 4, 2006. Applicants enclose herewith a petition for a three (3) month extension of time together with authorization to deduct the appropriate fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.